

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 to 15 (cancelled)

Claim 16. (new): A device for displaying multiple pre-programmed messages, comprising:

a first housing adapted to be mounted in a first location, a first electronic display mounted in the first housing, a first central processing unit associated with the first housing and being operably connected to the first electronic display for communicating display instructions to the first electronic display to generate a viewable message based on a selected message signal;

a second housing adapted to be mounted in a second location, a second electronic display mounted in said second housing, a second central processing unit associated with the second housing and having a plurality of programmed message signals, means for conducting electric signals between the first central processing unit and the second central processing unit such that the second central processing unit is operably connected to the first central processing unit for communicating the selected message signal to the first central processing unit, the second central processing unit further being operably connected to the second electronic display for communicating display instructions to the second electronic display to generate a viewable message based on the selected message signal;

message selection means associated with the second housing and being operably connected to the second central processing unit for enabling a user to select from the plurality of programmed message signals, the second central processing unit communicating the selected message signal to the second electronic display to generate the viewable message and further communicating the selected message signal to the first central processing unit; and

a source of electricity associated with one of said first or second housings for supplying electric power to the device.

Claim 17. (new) The device of claim 16 wherein the message selection means comprises a plurality of buttons, each button being associated with a programmed message signal corresponding to a message to be displayed.

Claim 18. (new) The device of claim 16 wherein the first and second electronic displays each comprises an LCD display.

Claim 19. (new) The device of claim 16 wherein said first and second housings are adapted to be secured to opposite sides of a door and the means for conducting electric signals between the first central processing unit and the central second processing unit extends through the door.

Claim 20. (new) The device of claim 16 wherein said source of electricity comprises a battery mounted in one of said first or second housings.

Claim 21. (new) The device of claim 16 wherein the first housing includes a motion sensor for sensing motion in the vicinity of the first housing, the motion sensor being operable to turn off the first electronic display in the absence of motion in the vicinity of the first housing to reduce electricity consumption, and to turn on the first display in the presence of motion in the vicinity of the first housing.

Claim 22. (new) The device of claim 16 wherein said first and second central processing units are adapted to communicate wirelessly by audio frequency.

Claim 23. (new) The device of claim 16 wherein said first and second central processing units are adapted to communicate wirelessly by radio frequency.

Claim 24. (new) The device of claim 23 wherein the message selection means comprises a plurality of buttons, each button being associated with a programmed message signal corresponding to a message to be displayed.

Claim 25. (new) The device of claim 23 wherein the first housing includes a motion sensor for sensing motion in the vicinity of the first housing, the motion sensor being operable to turn off the first electronic display in the absence of motion in the vicinity of the first housing to reduce electricity consumption, and to turn on the first display in the presence of motion in the vicinity of the first housing.

Claim 26. (new) A device for displaying multiple pre-programmed messages, comprising:
a first housing adapted to be mounted in a first location;
a first electronic display screen mounted in said first housing;
a second housing adapted to be mounted in a second location;
a second electronic display screen mounted in said second housing;
a first central processing unit for providing display information to said display screen in said first housing;
a second central processing unit for providing display information to said display screen in said second housing;
a power source in one of said first or second housings for supplying electric power to said display screens and said first and second central processing units;
means for selecting a message to be displayed on said first and second displays; and
means for conducting electric signals between said first and second central processing units.

Claim 27. (new) The device of claim 26 wherein said first and second display screens each comprises an LCD display.

Claim 28. (new) The device of claim 26 wherein said first and second housings are adapted to be secured to opposite sides of a door and the means for conducting electric signals between the first central processing unit and the central second processing unit extends through the door.

Claim 29. (new) The device of claim 26 wherein said first and second central processing units are adapted to communicate wirelessly by radio frequency.